

House Bill 1033

By: Representatives Lunsford of the 110<sup>th</sup>, Smith of the 129<sup>th</sup>, Graves of the 12<sup>th</sup>, May of the 111<sup>th</sup>, Floyd of the 147<sup>th</sup>, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 9 of Title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to mass  
2 transportation, so as to provide for a referendum to approve a commuter rail project within  
3 or through a county or municipality; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws;  
4 and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Chapter 9 of Title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to mass  
8 transportation, is amended by adding a new Code section to the end of such chapter to read  
9 as follows:

10 "32-9-13.

11 No commuter rail project may be established or operated within or through a county or  
12 municipality if such project is to be funded initially or may be funded subsequent to initial  
13 service for operation and maintenance costs wholly or partially by fees, assessments, or  
14 taxes levied and collected within the county or municipality, unless such project is  
15 approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting in such county or municipality in a  
16 special election which shall be called and conducted for that purpose by the election  
17 superintendent of such county or municipality."

18 **SECTION 2.**

19 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.